Mrs. Duncan Ruled Sane

VENTURA, Calif.—**Mrs. Elizabeth Duncan** is sane, **Judge Charles Blackstock** ruled Tuesday, clearing the way for sentencing her to death for arranging the hired murder of her son's Canadian bride. Sentence is due April 3.

Earlier, **Ralph Winterstein,** 26, was sentenced to one to 14 years in prison for joining with Mrs. Duncan in obtaining a false annulment of the marriage of **Frank** and **Olga.**

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VANCOUVER—**Mayor Tom** Alsbury will organize a meeting of B.C. mayors and reeves to discuss municipal money problems, and leading to a new division of federal, provincial and municipal duties and revenues.

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MELBOURNE — An aide of **Billy Graham** has warned Australians against phony canvassers who have been going from house to house soliciting money in the name of the American revivalist's crusade.

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Names In the News

LONDON — Police have found $14,000 worth of jewelry stolen from actress **Lauren Bacall** last week, but the thief is unknown.

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LONDON— **The Archbishop of Canterbury** has appealed to Europeans in Nyasaland and Southern Rhodesia for "humility and a passion for reconciliation."

OTTAWA — **Joseph Gour,** 65, Liberal member of Parliament for the Ontario constituency of Russell, died Tuesday night of a heart attack.

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OTTAWA — **Thomas Duncan Anderson,** Dominion secretary of the Canadian Legion, has been appointed chairman of the Canadian pension commission.

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SEATTLE — Thousands of Tibetans have been machine-gunned by the Chinese Communists, but as long as they have life, Tibetans "will continue fighting," **Thubten Norbu,** brother of Tibet's **Dalai Lama,** said here yesterday.

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SAN ANGELO, Tex. — **Zdislaw Sibilski** has filed an application in court to have his name changed—to **Chester Zdislaw Sibilski.**

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SANTA MONICA, Calif. — Bandleader **Louis Prima** and his singer-wife, **Keely Smith,** were sued yesterday for $5,569,325 by producer **Irving Levin** for alleged breach of contract.

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EDINBURGH — **Hughston Maynard McBain,** a Chicago businessman, may be chosen to head the Scottish McBain clan. Chieftainship of the clan was relinquished by **Stewart McBain,** a Canadian, because his only child was a girl.

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TORONTO — Taxi driver **Alex Smith** calmly delivered **Mrs. Joseph Ardt's** baby in the back seat of his taxi early Tuesday. Smith, who holds a St. John Ambulance Association certificate in midwifery, handled six deliveries during his 14 years as a Glasgow policeman.

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KENORA, Ont.—Police yesterday entered as an exhibit in the murder trial of **Mrs. Laverna Boyd,** 26, of Dryden, a red cardboard barrel in which they said the body of her estranged husband **Grant** was found on Boxing Day.

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NEW WESTMINSTER — **Donald Bryce Partridge,** 25, of Coquitlam, who has been in hospital in a coma for more than four months after a traffic accident, has regained consciousness but is still in danger.

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MONTREAL — Montreal is "the cleanest city in the world, a metropolis in which no organized crime exists," says assistant chief police inspector **William Minogue.**

MAYOR ALSBURY
. . . meeting ahead

LAUREN BACALL
. . . baubles regained

OTTAWA—**Dr. H. S. Ribner,** a University of Toronto physicist, suggests that Canada conduct a space research program hooked to that of the U.S.

$3,950 Mortgage Bought Empty Lot

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP) An investor in mortgages said yesterday he paid $3,950 for a mortgage on a home but later found the mortgage was on an empty lot.

Anton Stepulaitis of Vancouver was the third witness to make similar allegations in police court preliminary hearing of fraud charges against a New Westminster construction company, its directors and mortgage manager.

Stepulaitis said W. A. Price, salesman and mortgage manager for Western United Construction Co., showed him an uncompleted home Aug. 12, 1958.

He said he paid a cheque for $50 as a deposit to Price and another cheque for $3,900 to Burnaby lawyer Darrel Tepoorten and received a copy of a mortgage in the mail. A check of land registry files later showed the mortgage was for a vacant lot.

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Senator Reid Says:

No Cheap Power Unless It's Public

ABBOTSFORD (CP) — An outspoken public power advocate said Monday night there "can be no cheap power until the utilities are handled by a hydro commission and not by a private company."

Senator Tom Reid of New Westminster, a member of the International Pacific Salmon Fisheries Commission, made the statement at a meeting of Abbotsford Liberal party members.

"In my opinion we will never have cheap power as long as the B.C. Electric owns the utilities. We are paying for losses in the B.C. Electric-operated bus lines," he said.

Senator Reid said there had been much misrepresentation in the power-vs.-fish question, chief of which was that a way had been found to take fish over small dams on the Fraser.

'Piggyback' Satellites This Year

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla (UPI)—The U.S. navy plans to "piggyback" two 50-pound earth satellites into space this year in a project designed to revolutionize communications and navigation.

Rear Adm. John Hayward, assistant chief of naval operations, said yesterday the two would be the forerunners of six navigation and six communications satellites of more advanced design.

"We are trying to piggyback them into space, using somebody else's rocket," he said.

The six navigation satellites would enable ships at sea to get a more accurate fix on their position. This would be of great value to nuclear submarines equipped with polaris missiles.

The navy believes the communications satellites would provide reliable communications anywhere and it would take at least six and possibly more to cover the earth, he added.

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